

CHANGES TO THE CLAIMS:

Claim listing:

1. (Currently Amended) In a human social system having a tendency to self organize around one or more of the production, diffusion and application of organizational knowledge, a method of ~~enhancing~~ managing one or more of the production, diffusion and application of such knowledge comprising synchronizing at least one knowledge policies policy with said tendency, said synchronizing comprising
determining a preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system,
proposing a synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system,
practicing the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system,
evaluating the practice of the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system compared with the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system,
refining if necessary the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system in response to the evaluating; and
practicing any refined synchronized knowledge politics policy in the social system.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 47 2, and further comprising: wherein said proposing a knowledge embryology policy comprises:
determining an existing knowledge embryology practice of the social system;

~~—determining an existing knowledge embryology policy of the social system;~~

determining conflicts between at least one of the existing preexisting knowledge embryology policy and the preexisting knowledge politics policy and at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy and the proposed knowledge politics policy; and
determining requirements to resolve said conflicts.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 48 and further comprising: 2; ~~wherein said proposing a knowledge diversity policy comprises:~~

~~—determining an existing knowledge diversity practice of the social system;~~

~~—determining an existing knowledge diversity policy of the social system;~~

determining conflicts between at least one of the existing preexisting knowledge diversity policy and the preexisting knowledge connectivity policy and at least one of the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy;
and

determining requirements to resolve said conflicts.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 48 2, and further comprising determining at least one characteristic of the ~~innovation of the~~ social system.

9. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 8, wherein the one characteristic comprises innovation rate.

10. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 8, wherein the one characteristic comprises innovation quality.

11. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 8, and further comprising refining at least one of said proposed knowledge embryology policy, said proposed knowledge politics policy, said proposed knowledge diversity policy and said proposed knowledge connectivity policy in response to said at least one characteristic.

12. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 1 and further comprising: 2, ~~wherein said practicing the proposed knowledge embryology policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy with the evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy in the social system comprises:~~

practicing the a proposed knowledge embryology policy with the evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy;

evaluating the proposed knowledge embryology policy and evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy as practiced together in the social system; and

practicing the evaluated proposed knowledge embryology policy, twice evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy, a proposed knowledge diversity policy and a proposed knowledge connectivity policy together in the social system.

13. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 12, and further comprising refining if necessary the proposed knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy in response to said practicing the evaluated proposed knowledge embryology policy, twice evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy together in the social system.

14. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 1 ~~2~~, wherein said social system comprises an organization.

15. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 14, wherein said organization comprises a business.

16. (Currently Amended) In a human social system having a tendency to self organize around one or more of the production, diffusion and application of organizational knowledge, a method of providing instruction in order to ~~enhance~~ manage one or more of the production, diffusion and application of such knowledge, said method comprising offering advice about synchronizing at least one knowledge policy ~~policies~~ with said tendency, said offering advice about synchronizing comprising:

determining a preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system,

proposing a synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system,

practicing the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system,

evaluating the practice of the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system compared with the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system,

refining if necessary the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system in response to the evaluating; and

practicing any refined synchronized knowledge politics policy in the social system.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 49 and further comprising: ~~17, wherein said proposing a knowledge embryology policy comprises:~~
~~—— offering advice about determining an existing knowledge embryology practice of the social system;~~
~~—— offering advice about determining an existing knowledge embryology policy of the social system;~~

offering advice about determining conflicts between at least one of the existing preexisting knowledge embryology policy and the preexisting knowledge politics policy and at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy and the proposed knowledge politics policy; and

offering advice about determining requirements to resolve said conflicts.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 50 and further comprising: ~~17, wherein said proposing a knowledge diversity policy comprises:~~
~~—— offering advice about determining an existing knowledge diversity practice of the social system;~~
~~—— offering advice about determining an existing knowledge diversity policy of the social system;~~

offering advice about determining conflicts between at least one of the existing preexisting knowledge diversity policy and the preexisting knowledge connectivity policy and at least one of the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy; and

offering advice about determining requirements to resolve said conflicts.

22. (Canceled)
23. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 50 17, and further comprising offering advice about determining at least one characteristic of the ~~innovation~~ ~~of the~~ social system.
24. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 23, wherein the one characteristic comprises innovation rate.
25. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 23, wherein the one characteristic comprises innovation quality.
26. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 23, and further comprising offering advice about refining at least one of said proposed knowledge embryology policy, said proposed knowledge politics policy, said proposed knowledge diversity policy and said proposed knowledge connectivity policy in response to said at least one characteristic.
27. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 16 and further comprising: 17, ~~wherein said offering advice about practicing the proposed knowledge embryology policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy with the evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy in the social system comprises:~~
- offering advice about practicing ~~the~~ a proposed knowledge embryology policy with the evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy;
- offering advice about evaluating the proposed knowledge embryology policy and evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy as practiced together in the social system;
- and

offering advice about practicing the evaluated proposed knowledge embryology policy, twice evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy, a proposed knowledge diversity policy and a proposed knowledge connectivity policy together in the social system.

28. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 27, and further comprising offering advice about refining if necessary the proposed knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy in response to said practicing the evaluated proposed knowledge embryology policy, twice evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy together in the social system.

29. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 16 ~~17~~, wherein said social system comprises an organization.

30. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 29, wherein said organization comprises a business.

31. (Currently Amended) In a human social system having a tendency to self organize around one or more of the production, diffusion and application of organizational knowledge, said system including a data store and a communication network, a method of supporting the ~~enhancing~~ management of one or more of the production, diffusion and application of said organizational knowledge and the synchronizing of at least one knowledge policy ~~policies~~ with said tendency, said method comprising:

storing data relating to one or more of said organizational knowledge and the at least one knowledge ~~policy policies~~ in said ~~the~~ data store; and

communicating over said ~~the~~ network to facilitate said synchronizing, ~~the~~ synchronizing comprising

using the data store and the network to determine a preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system,

communicating over the network data needed to propose a synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system;

using the data store and the network to facilitate practicing the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system,

using the data store and the network for evaluating the practice of the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system compared with the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system,

using the data store and the network for refining if necessary the proposed synchronized knowledge politics policy for the social system in response to the evaluating, and

using the data store and the network to facilitate practicing any revised synchronized knowledge politics policy.

32. (Canceled)

33. (Canceled)

34. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 51 and further comprising: 32, wherein said communicating over said network data needed to propose a knowledge embryology policy comprises:

~~—— using data from said data store to determine an existing knowledge embryology practice of the social system;~~

~~—— using data from said data store to determine an existing knowledge embryology policy of the social system;~~

using data from said data store to determine conflicts between at least one of the existing preexisting knowledge embryology policy and the preexisting knowledge politics policy and at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy and the proposed knowledge politics policy; and

determining requirements to resolve said conflicts.

35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 52 and further comprising: ~~32, wherein said communicating over said network data needed to propose a knowledge diversity policy comprises:~~

~~—— using data from said data store to determine an existing knowledge diversity practice of the social system;~~

~~—— using data from said data store to determine an existing knowledge diversity policy of the social system;~~

using data from said data store to determine conflicts between at least one of the existing preexisting knowledge diversity policy and the preexisting knowledge connectivity policy and at least one of the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed connectivity policy; and

determining requirements to resolve said conflicts.

37. (Canceled)

38. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 52 32, and further comprising using data from said data store to determine at least one characteristic of the ~~innovation of the~~ social system.

39. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 38, wherein the one characteristic comprises innovation rate.

40. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 38, wherein the one characteristic comprises innovation quality.

41. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 38, and further comprising using data from said data store to refine at least one of said proposed knowledge embryology policy, said proposed knowledge politics policy, said proposed knowledge diversity policy and said proposed knowledge connectivity policy in response to said at least one characteristic.

42. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 31 and further comprising: 32, ~~wherein said using said data store and said network to facilitate the practicing of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy with the evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy in the social system comprises:~~

using said data store and said network to facilitate practicing the a proposed knowledge embryology policy with the evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy;

using said data store and said network to evaluate the proposed knowledge embryology policy and evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy as practiced together in the social system; and

using said data store and said network to facilitate practicing the evaluated proposed knowledge embryology policy, twice evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy, a proposed knowledge diversity policy and a proposed knowledge connectivity policy together in the social system.

43. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 42, and further comprising using said data store and said network to facilitate refining if necessary the proposed knowledge embryology policy, proposed knowledge politics policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy in response to said practicing the evaluated proposed knowledge embryology policy, twice evaluated proposed knowledge politics policy, proposed knowledge diversity policy and proposed knowledge connectivity policy together in the social system.

44. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 31, wherein said system comprises a data processor and wherein said method further comprises processing data relating to one or more of said organizational knowledge and said at least one knowledge ~~policies~~ policy with said data processor.

45. (Currently Amended) A method, as claimed in claim 31 ~~32~~, wherein said social system comprises an organization.

46. (Previously Presented) A method, as claimed in claim 45, wherein said organization comprises a business.

47. (New) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said synchronizing further comprises:

determining at least one of a preexisting knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system;

proposing at least one of a knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the knowledge politics policy for the social system;

practicing at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system;

evaluating the practice of said at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system compared with the at least one of the preexisting knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system;

refining if necessary the at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system in response to the evaluating; and

practicing any refined policy from the group consisting of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system.

48. (New) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said synchronizing further comprises:

determining at least one of a preexisting knowledge embryology policy, the preexisting knowledge politics policy, a preexisting knowledge diversity policy and a preexisting knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

proposing at least one of a knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, a knowledge diversity policy and a knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

practicing at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, knowledge politics policy, knowledge diversity policy and knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

evaluating the practice of said at least one of the proposed knowledge policies in the social system compared with the at least one of the preexisting knowledge policies in the social system;

refining if necessary the at least one of the proposed knowledge policies in the social system in response to the evaluating; and

practicing any refined policy from the group consisting of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy.

49. (New) A method as claimed in claim 16 wherein said synchronizing further comprises:

determining at least one of a preexisting knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system;

proposing at least one of a knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the knowledge politics policy for the social system;

practicing at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system;

evaluating the practice of said at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system compared with the at least one of the preexisting knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system;

refining if necessary the at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system in response to the evaluating; and

practicing any refined policy from the group consisting of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system.

50. (New) A method as claimed in claim 16 wherein said synchronizing further comprises:

determining at least one of a preexisting knowledge embryology policy, the preexisting knowledge politics policy, a preexisting knowledge diversity policy and a preexisting knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

proposing at least one of a knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, a knowledge diversity policy and a knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

practicing at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, knowledge politics policy, knowledge diversity policy and knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

evaluating the practice of said at least one of the proposed knowledge policies in the social system compared with the at least one of the preexisting knowledge policies in the social system;

refining if necessary the at least one of the proposed knowledge policies in the social system in response to the evaluating; and

practicing any refined policy from the group consisting of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy.

51. (New) A method as claimed in claim 31 wherein said synchronizing further comprises:

using the data store and the network to determine at least one of a preexisting knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system;

communicating over the network to propose at least one of a knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the knowledge politics policy for the social system;

using the data store and the network to facilitate practicing at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system;

using the data store and the network to evaluate the practice of said at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system compared with the at least one of the preexisting knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the preexisting knowledge politics policy for the social system;

using the data store and the network to refine if necessary said at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system in response to the evaluating; and

using the data store and the network to practice any refined policy from the group consisting of the proposed knowledge embryology policy for the social system and the proposed knowledge politics policy for the social system.

52. (New) A method as claimed in claim 31 wherein said synchronizing further comprises:

using the data store and network to determine at least one of a preexisting knowledge embryology policy, the preexisting knowledge politics policy, a preexisting knowledge diversity policy and a preexisting knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

communicating over the network data needed to propose at least one of a knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge politics policy, a knowledge diversity policy and a knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

using the data store and the network to facilitate practicing at least one of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, knowledge politics policy, knowledge diversity policy and knowledge connectivity policy in the social system;

using the data store and the network for evaluating the practice of the at least one of the proposed knowledge policies in the social system compared with the at least one of the preexisting knowledge policies in the social system;

using the data store and the network for refining if necessary the at least one of the proposed knowledge policies in the social system in response to the evaluating; and

using the data store and network for practicing any refined policy from the group consisting of the proposed knowledge embryology policy, the proposed knowledge

politics policy, the proposed knowledge diversity policy and the proposed knowledge connectivity policy.